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**PATENT**

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**ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 25, 2003 in the above-referenced application, applicants elect with traverse Group 1 (claims 1-8 and 33-43), drawn to compounds of Formula Ab-DYE and uses thereof. Applicants further elect the species, for search purposes, wherein Ab is to a steroid receptor, DYE is a cyanine, and further comprises a linker L linking Ab and DYE wherein L is -HNCONH-.